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SUBJECT: IMPORT LICENSING OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND

AUTOMOBILES RESUMED ON SEPTEMBER 11, 1973.

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REF: HELSINKI 2374

1. AS NOTED IN REFTTEL, IMPORT LICENSES FOR DESIGNATED HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND AUTOMOBILES WERE OPENED ON SEPTEMBER 4 ONLY FOR GOODS FULLY-PAID FOR BY AUGUST 29. LICENSES FOR OTHER GOODS WERE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. ON SEPTEMBER 11, IMPORT LICENSES WERE RESUMED FOR CONTROLLED GOODS ON "NORMAL" BASIS. ACCORDING TO LICENSE BUREAU, IMPORT PERMITS EQUIVALENT TO TWO-WEEKS IMPORTS

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WERE GRANTED ON FIRST DAY OF REOPENING, CALCULATED ON

BASIS OF INDIVIDUAL IMPORTER'S PAST EXPERIENCE USING
IMPORT DATA FOR 1971, 1972 AND AVAILABLE INFORMATION
FOR 1973. LICENSE APPROVAL REQUESTS GREATLY OUT-
NUMBERED ACTUAL APPROVALS BUT NO RELIABLE STATISTICS
HAVE BEEN RELEASED ON THIS.

2. ACCORDING TO BANK OF FINLAND SOURCE, THE IMPORT
LICENSING SYSTEM INTRODUCED ON AUGUST 28 PROBABLY
WILL NOT BE CONTINUED FOR LONG SINCE CONTROLS WERE
INTENDED ONLY TO PREVENT LARGE SPECULATIVE PURCHASES
ARISING FROM RUMORS THAT A HEAVY SURCHARGE ON IMPORTS
WOULD BE IMPOSED. THE SURCHARGE PROPOSAL CONTAINED
IN AN "EQUALIZATION TAX" BILL IS NOW IN PARLIAMENT
BUT ITS FUTURE IS UNCLEAR.
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